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Eligibility Policy and Procedures Manual

CHAPTER 300 - Resources

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304.01.05P RETURN OF A TRANSFERRED RESOURCE

If a transferred resource is returned to, or if compensation is received by, the institutionalized individual, the UV is no longer an issue or is reduced as of the date of the return. The resource or compensation is evaluated according to normal resource rules in the month of return. Any portion of a transferred resource that is not returned continues to count as UV which means the penalty period must be re-evaluated.

304.01.05Q RECALCULATION OF A PENALTY PERIOD

A penalty period must be recalculated from the month a portion of the resource is returned or additional compensation is received.

Example: A transfer of \$13,800.00 occurred in October 2008, resulting in a 3-month penalty period beginning with the month that LTC is requested or eligibility is determined. In January 2009, \$9,200.00 is returned to the institutionalized individual. The penalty period is then recalculated using the UV of \$4,600.00 transferred in October 2008. This results in a revised period of ineligibility for one (1) month beginning with the month that LTC is requested or eligibility is determined.

NOTE: If the resource is returned, normal resource rules apply in determining Medicaid eligibility.

304.01.04R TRANSFER PENALTY INVOLVING SSI MONTHS

The transfer penalty can be imposed during months that an individual receives SSI or is SSI eligible in a nursing home. Notices for SSI eligibles must not be sent verifying eligibility for nursing facility services until the possibility of any transfers have been developed.

Example: A Medicaid application is filed in July 2008 for an applicant who entered the nursing home in May 2008 as an SSI-eligible. SSI eligibility continued until July 31, 2008. A transfer, which occurred in May 2008, is discovered during the Medicaid application process and it results in a 6-month period of ineligibility. The penalty can be imposed for May 2008 through October 2008 even though the months of May 2008 through July 2008 are SSI months. This means no vendor payment will be authorized for the 6-month penalty period; however the individual is eligible for all other Medicaid services.